

Uniting Louthesk Rural



Churches

Week Commencing
Sunday 9th November 2025



Hallowe'en and Halos

Do all things without grumbling or questioning that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish, in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life.

Philippians 2: 14-15

We are all baptized children of God and one of the beautiful images of this calling comes at the end of the baptism service when the newly baptized receives a candle, lit (if possible) from the Pascal Candle, with the words, which are said by everyone, "Shine as a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father".

Hallowe'en, together with All Saints and All Souls Days, are the perfect time to reflect on our calling to shine as lights in Shakespeare's 'naughty world' and to wonder if, perhaps, our wicks might need a little trim or our lanterns a polish and, if so, precisely how we might go about this.

One way, which is open to us all year round, is to deliberately move away from the usual distractions of life for a few moments and spend time in stillness. That simple act can- and usually does- create the perfect environment to quieten our internal or external chatter and listen for the still small voice of our loving Father and Creator, who longs to come close to each one of us in the silence of our hearts. It doesn't need to be in church. Some folk find gazing at a sunrise or sunset provides this perfect opportunity- for others, it's a walk on the beach or in the woods. I still really miss my little doggie, Toast and especially the beautiful times we spent together in Hubbards Hills where I was aware of God's presence in the sounds of the gently burbling stream and birdsong and the glorious canopy of trees with their ever-changing colours. When I went there with him early on the morning of my surgery, the 23rd Psalm became alive to me like never before, 'The Lord is my Shepherd- he leads me beside still waters- he restores my soul.' Lighting a candle can provide this quiet and reflective opportunity to become aware of God's voice in our hearts. What a beautiful thought, that we're called to shine like candles- to offer God's peace, stillness and hope to a busy and troubled world.

Mother Karen



In this season of remembrance, let's pause to remember victims and perpetrators of violence.

All of us will have been shocked as well as saddened to learn of the horrific incident of indiscriminate stabbing on the LNER on Saturday evening- and particularly those who, like me, use this train service frequently. As we process our feelings of vulnerability, let's remember those for whom such mindless and soul-destroying acts of violence are a way of life- especially those living with domestic violence and the people of Ukraine and Gaza.

Mother Karen





This is your platform to share your voice. Let everyone know how your event unfolded, the impact of the funds raised, and the exciting opportunities ahead. I often hear the curiosity about our events, so if you have any pictures and a brief summary to share, your experiences could inspire us all!

If you can e-mail any updates to denise.bell@lincoln.anglican.org



**The Bishops' and the Strategy Working Group want to
hear from you.
Yes—all of you.**

Whether you're a volunteer, an organist, a churchwarden, a treasurer, an administrator, a member of the clergy (active or retired), or part of our congregations—we want to hear your thoughts and ideas about what matters most to you and your community.

We warmly invite you all to attend one of our upcoming Engagement Events this November. If you haven't already signed up please do we want to hear your thoughts.

Please share this invitation with your congregations—everyone is welcome to join. We've attached a printable pew sheet for your churches, and there is a dedicated page on the website with all the latest news around “Lord, Show Us The Way” here

Each session will last approximately 90 minutes and will be an opportunity to:

Hear from the Senior Diocesan Leadership Team about the work that has taken place to develop a long-term strategy for the Diocese.

Explore the theological foundations of our strategic priorities

Reflect on feedback received from working groups across the region

Share your own thoughts and ideas about what matters most to you and your community

Join together in prayer, asking “Lord, show us the way” as we seek God's guidance for the future

To help you prepare, pre-reading materials will be sent out one week prior to the event. These will give you time to reflect and pray about what is evolving. We encourage everyone to bring their ideas and thoughts about how we grow in faith and continue to share the love of Jesus Christ across our communities.

To register your attendance and choose a date, please complete this short form:

 **Engagement Meeting Sign-Up Form scan the QR Code below:**



We look forward to welcoming you and journeying together in faith and purpose.
With every blessing,

The Strategy Working Group
The local meeting will be held at the below venue:
St Marys Ludborough Monday 24th November 7pm

If you don't have internet access but would like to attend, please let me know either via e-mail :
Denise.bell@lincoln.anglican.org or 01507 610247 and I can book in for you.



The Louthesk Deanery

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communication in the rural
parishes
Scan the QR code below**



Advent Course 2025



"Set our hearts on fire"

Please come and join in with the Advent course this year. This three session course will follow materials from the Diocese of Lincoln, entitled "Set Our Hearts On Fire". |

Sessions will begin at 10 am, and will conclude at approximately 11.30 am to noon.

The sessions will be held on Tuesday's:

2 December	Legbourne Community Centre	LN11 8LW
9 December	Covenham St Mary's Church	LN11 0PG
16 December	Fotherby St Mary's Church	LN11 0UJ

Tea/coffee and biscuits will be served.



NEWS, NOTES & DIARY DATES



COFFEE MORNING
Every 1st Wednesday of the Month
10.30am till Noon
At
St. Peters Church, Main Road, Saltfleetby.
FREE
Tea, Coffee and Cakes
Everyone welcome



Louth Community Larder needs the following items
Tinned curry, meat balls, hot dogs, tinned chilli, coffee, teabags,
tinned rice pudding, long life milk, jam, tinned beans, carrots, peas,
pasta sauce.



CHURCHES TOGETHER
in LOUTH & DISTRICT

Items can be dropped off at either Trinity Centre or a St James' Church Louth

**St. Edith's
Christmas Cards
for sale.**

80p



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
St. Edith's Church,
Grimoldby.

Comes with Christmas message and envelope
80p each or 5 for £3.50

Contact Peter Bates Tel 07743350542 or email
treasurer.stedithsgrimoldby@mail.com

St John the Baptist Church, Great Carlton

Harvest Thanksgiving



We are so grateful for the generous support we receive from the community with donations for the Louth Community Larder. Thank you to those who helped to decorate the church so beautifully, the bell ringers, the music and prepare refreshments, all in order to make the service possible. It was enjoyed by a large congregation and the collection of £153 will be shared jointly between the Louth larder project and church funds.



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Remembrance Day Sunday 9th November



Thank you to the crochet/knitting group who have made all these poppies to be hung from a Cross inside the church over the Remembrance Weekend. Also inside, there will be a display covering the lives of the 17 Carlton men in WW1 and 1 man in WW2, who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

The season of Advent (29th November) is not far away. with the first service of Advent, Holy Communion at 9:30am on Sunday 7th December, leading through to the Carol Service at 6pm on Tuesday 23 December.

Before that we hope you can join us at the **Christmas Fayre** on Saturday 15th November - 10am to 3pm (see poster) to buy those early presents and enjoy the refreshments.

Please feel free to contact Churchwardens

Carol Carter 07887 623803 or Kathy Crust 01507 450552
if you ever need to discuss any aspect of our Church
as we are here to serve our community through Christ.



Welcome to St Leonards South Cockerington Facebook page



Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/stleonardssouthcockerington/>



The Friends of St James's Church
Christmas Tree festival
This year the festival will be from
Friday 5th December - Wednesday 10th
December
with a launch night event Thursday 4th
December

More information will be shared over the coming weeks

If you would like to exhibit a tree please contact denise.bell@lincoln.anglican.org

St. Leonards
South Cockerington.

Coffee, Chat, Catch-up & Clean



Every 1st Tuesday of the
month
10.00am till 12.00 Noon.

EVERYONE WELCOME



St. Mary's Church
Covenham



Christmas
Fair

Saturday, 15th November
2.00p.m.

Variety of stalls to include:
cakes, cards, crafts, jewellery,
& more

Christmas Draw (£50 first prize)

Refreshments

A warm welcome is extended to all



**ALL SAINTS CHURCH
LEGBOURNE**

Welcome on Wednesday Coffee Morning
10am-noon

19th March 16th April 21st May 18th June 16th July,
20th August 17th September 15th October,
19th November.

A friendly welcome, coffee and delicious cake.



**COFFEE &
CATCH-UP**

EVERY TUESDAY AT 11:00 AM
at St Andrew's Church, Utterby



Friendly faces.
Fresh brews.
No agenda!



WEEKLY - EVERY TUESDAY



11:00 AM ST ANDREW'S CHURCH,

Everyone's welcome! Bring a friend or just yourself

Advent:
Darkness to Light
Carol Service
with the Grimoldby Singers
30th November
2025
at
St. Edith's,
Grimoldby
6.00pm

All are welcome to join us
as we begin the journey
towards Christmas

Seasonal refreshments will be served after the service



Louthesk Church Bells

For detailed information about the parish of
Louth church Bells do not hesitate to contact

Jill Day

01507 603998

She's ready to assist you with everything you
need to know.



Louth
MALE VOICE
CHOIR



Please join us on Friday 12th December
7:30pm at
Legbourne Church
Admission £10

Please contact Hilary King 01507 601885
Lilian Boot 01507 600252 for tickets.
Tickets can also be obtained on the
night.

Please park in Legbourne village hall car park.



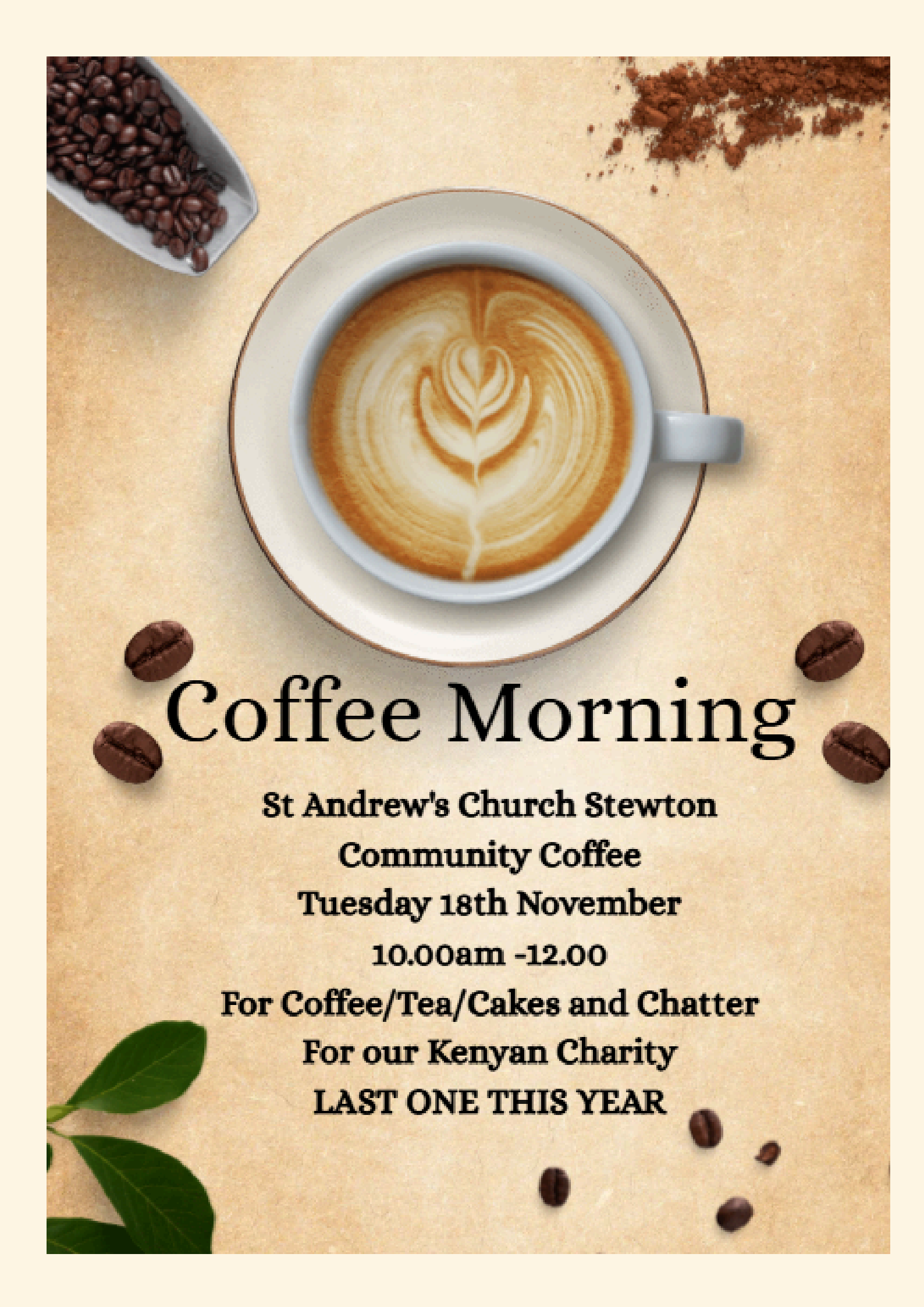
Utterby St Andrews

**JOIN US IN
ST ANDREWS CHURCH
TO WATCH THE
ARMISTICE DAY
SERVICE FROM THE CENOTAPH**



**SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER
FROM 10.00AM
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
ALL PROCEEDS TO THE BRITISH LEGION**

St Andrews Church Utterby will be awash with
poppies made by ladies in the village and by
people from the Grove Care home in Waltham.

A top-down view of a white ceramic coffee cup with a brown rim, filled with a latte featuring a heart-shaped latte art design. The cup sits on a matching saucer. The background is a light beige, textured surface. In the top left corner, there is a small white scoop filled with dark brown coffee beans. In the top right corner, there is a pile of brown coffee powder. Several individual coffee beans are scattered around the cup and text. In the bottom left corner, there are green coffee leaves. In the bottom right corner, there are more coffee beans.

Coffee Morning

St Andrew's Church Stewton

Community Coffee

Tuesday 18th November

10.00am -12.00

For Coffee/Tea/Cakes and Chatter

For our Kenyan Charity

LAST ONE THIS YEAR

St Andrew's Church
South Thoresby LN13 0AS

Christmas Craft Fair

10am to 4pm cash only



Saturday & Sunday
15th & 16th November 2025

Mid Marsh



Legbourne & Wold Marsh



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Binbrook



Somercotes & Grainthorpe with Conisholme and Marshchapel



Fotherby

